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SUBJECT: CCD: 636TH PLENARY MEETING, MAY 16, 1974

1. SUMMARY: IN 636TH PLENARY AMB MISHRA (INDIA),  
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CRITICIZING LACK OF PROGRESS IN NUCLEAR DIARMAMENT,

NOTED IN PARTICULAR FAILURE OF "DISCRIMINATORY" NPT TO CHECK VERTICAL PROLIFERATION, DEPLORED "MINI-NUKES", AND CALLED FOR CTB. ALSO CRITICIZED DEVELOPMENT OF BINARY CW, AND SUPPORTED SOVIET WDC AND ROB PROPOSALS. INDIA NOT AGAINST CCD ENLARGEMENT AS LONG AS CHARACTER OF CCD AS NEGOTIATING BODY UNAFFECTED. AMB DI BERNARDO (ITALY) LINKED DETENTE AND COMMITTEE'S WORK, EMPHASIZING NECESSITY OF COMPREHENSIVE VERIFICATION IN ANY ARMS AGREEMENTS. HE SUPPORTED PROPOSAL FOR INFORMAL JULY MEETING WITH EXPERTS ON CW, AND EXPRESSED HOPE FOR SOLUTION OF PROBLEM OF AGREEMENT ON NUCLEAR TESTING EVEN BY "ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY PARTIAL MEASURES." END SUMMARY

2. REPRESENTATIVES OF INDIA AND ITALY SPOKE IN 636TH PLENARY MEETING. AMB MISHRA (INDIA), ASSERTING THAT PRIMARY TASK OF CCD WAS TO DEAL WITH WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION, CRITICIZED LACK OF PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT. HE STATED THAT WHILE IT UP TO PARTIES TO DECIDE WHETHER SPIRIT OF NPT VIOLATED, IT NEVERTHELESS "FACT" THAT NON-NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES (NNWS), BY EXERCISING RESTRAINT IN REGARD TO ACQUISITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, ARE "EXCLUSIVE CONTRIBUTORS" TO CAUSE OF NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION. THERE "NO TWO VIEWS THAT NPT HAS NOT HAD THE EFFECT OF EVEN MORAL RESTRAINT ON VERTICAL PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS." IN THIS SITUATION IT "NOT CONVINCING" TO ARGUE THAT DANGER OF NUCLEAR CONFLICT WILL BE REDUCED BY WIDER ADHERENCE TO "THAT DISCRIMINATORY INSTRUMENT, THE NPT." IT EVEN LESS CONVINCING TO ASK NNWS TO FOREGO DEFENSE PROVIDED BY CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS. MISHRA ALSO CRITICIZED QUALITATIVE NUCLEAR WEAPON DEVELOPMENT AND SAID AGREEMENT ON CTB BEST WAY OF CHECKING IT. IN TACTICAL FIELD, "CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT OF MINI-NUKES MAKES USE OF SUCH WEAPONS MORE LIKELY THAN EVER IN FOND HOPE THAT THEY MIGHT AVERT GENERAL NUCLEAR CONFLAGRATION". THIS A "DANGEROUS ILLUSION."

3. MISHRA WELCOMED SUBMISSION OF JAPANESE DRAFT CW CONVENTION, BUT SAID CW DEVELOPMENTS, PARTICULARLY OF BINARIES, ARE "PROGRESSIVELY RETARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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A COMPREHENSIVE BAN ON CW." BINARY DEVELOPMENT "PRIME EXAMPLE OF QUALITATIVE ARMS RACE NEGATING EFFORTS OF DISARMERS". INDIAN REP ALSO SUPPORTED CONVENING OF WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE AND URGED ALL PERMANENT MEMBERS OF SECURITY COUNCIL TO ACCEPT PRINCIPLE OF SOVIET SPONSORED PROPOSAL FOR REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS. MISHRA ALSO COMMENTED ON CCD ENLARGEMENT, SAYING INDIA NOT AGAINST CHANGES AS LONG AS THEY DO "NOT RESULT IN DIMINISHING

FUNDAMENTAL CHARACTER OF THIS MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATING BODY". "IT DOES WITHOUT SAYING" THAT SIZE OF CCD MUST BE KEPT WITHIN "REASONABLE LIMITS" AND POLITICAL BALANCE UNCHANGED. HE ADDED THAT INDIA ALSO HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO POSSIBLE CHANGES IN CCD PROCEDURE AS LONG AS THEY IMPROVED ITS NEGOTATING FUNCTION.

4. AMB DIBERNARDO (ITALY) SAID THAT "PRESENT CRISIS" IN CCD STEMMED FROM UNCERTAINTIES AND AMBIGUITIES OF CURRENT WORLD DETENTE; TO CONSOLIDATE DETENTE AND ADVANCE CCD WORK IT ESSENTIAL THAT ANY PROPOSED ARMS AGREEMENT HAVE EQUAL OBLIGATIONS, UNAMBIGUOUS SCOPE, BE PART OF A LONG RANGE GCD RAMEWRORK, AND CONTAIN ADEQUATE VERIFICATION. LATTER MUST BE "COMPREHENSIVE" AND INCLUDE POSSIBILITY OF ON-SITE INSPECTION.

5. ITALIAN REP WELCOMED JAPANESE DRAFT CW CONVENTION AND SUPPORTED PROPOSAL MADE BY SWEDEN IN 635TH PLENARY FOR INFORMAL MEETING ON EXPERTS ON CW IN JULY, ADDING THAT ITALIAN EXPERT WOULD PARTICIPATE. DEBERNARDO ALSO RAISED QUESTION OF VERIFICATION IN CONNECTION WITH CW, IN PARTICULAR IN REGARD STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION, SAYING THAT "SYSTEM OF CONTROLS CONTEMPLATED IN CONVENTION MUST FURNISH CONTRACTING STATES WITH STRONGEST POSSIBLE GUARANTEES"; BUT THESE OF NO AVAIL WITHOUT ELABORATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ADEQUATE MEASURES OF INTERNATIONAL CONTROL. HE ALSO WARNED THAT REACHING AGREEMENT ON CW "INDISPENSIBLE" TO STRENGTHEN ROLE OF CCD AND COUNTER CRITICISM OF IT. ON CTB, DIBERNARDO EXPRESSED HOPE "PARTIES MORE DIRECTLY CONCERNED" WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT REACH AGREED SOLUTION OF PROBLEM, EVEN BY ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY OR PARTIAL MEASURES. HE ALSO SUGGESTED CCD PROPER FORUM FOR FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSIONS TO ICRC SPONSORED STUDY OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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